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Fast Food Fax



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Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand was moderate to instances good, mostly moderate. In the parts complex, breast items were at least adequate to available. Dark meat items were adequate to fully adequate. Wings were in good balance and clearing. Weights were

mixed but mostly desirable.

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Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: Nov 20, 2004

FOOD SERVICE/

	FAST FOOD	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 - 5.25	5.26 & Up	
Total (000)	28,725	15,304	47,176	91,205
Percentage	31%	17%	52%	100%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

Live Weights	RTC WOG Weights	No. of Head (000)	Percentage of Total Slaughter
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	7,258	7.96
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. – 2 lbs., 10 oz.	5,160	5.66
3.81 - 4.00 lbs	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	10,723	11.75
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz 2 lbs., 14 oz.l	<u>5,584</u>	6.12
		28 725	31.40

BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

					Eggs Set		Chicks Plac	ced P	relim. Fed. In	sp.	
Slaughter	Egg		Chic ks		10 Weeks		7 Weeks		Million head		
Week	Sets		Placed		Previous		Previous		Slaughtered		
	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%**	
Oct 02	199,132	102	167,089	105	213,137	103	174,742	103	162,066	100	
Oct 09	203,648	104	161,191	102	214,939	104	175,717	104	161,676	100	
Oct 16	194,824	104	163,964	102	213,074	103	175,200	104	161,485	100	
Oct 23	193,964	102	164,662	104	213,040	104	174,274	104	162,135	100	
Oct 30	197,817	103	166,650	104	212,872	103	174,235	103	160,527	99	
Nov 06	199,232	99	162,084	106	210,600	104	173,531	105	159,561	99	
Nov 13	205,065	100	161,196	104	209,488	104	171,518	105	161,965	102	
Vov 20	206,701	101	162,724	104	202,794	104	166,798	105	156,060	96	
Vov 27	209,690	100	167,598	102	197,409	102	161,147	102	117,717	75	

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
Week of 12/06/04				
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	63-65	64.08	63.96	61.26
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	58-61	61.76	62.23	59.29
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	80	78.28	77.83	71.79
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		67.48	68.43	66.01
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock	74.00)	72.45	72.75	67.76
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day A	Avg.	41.31	41.64	52.47

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast	Southern States	Georgia
Weekly Weighted Average	(Delivered)	(FOB)	(FOB)
	12/03/04	12/03/04	12/06/04
Breast – B/S	125.72	118.31	141.50
Tenderloins	113.41	117.75	161.50 (Line run)
Breast – Line Run	68.51	71.41	73.00 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	29.15	25.58	31.00
Wings	103.03	89.96	95.00

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